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ROSS MILLER

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 and

§1.98

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Sir:

The references cited on the attached PTO/SB/08A and /08B Forms are being called to the attention of the Examiner. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of the references can be found in Application Nos. 09/466,353 and 08/947,080, filed 12/17/99 and 10/08/97 (Attorney Docket Nos. 18563-000120US and 18563-000110US), respectively. It is requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

As provided for by 37 CFR 1.97(g) and (h), no inference should be made that the information and references cited are prior art merely because they are in this statement and no representation is being made that a search has been conducted or that this statement encompasses all the possible relevant information.

Applicant believes that <u>no fee is required</u> for submission of this statement, since it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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